

MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Computer Security Training--Working Group  
Report to the DCI Computer Security Sub-  
committee

The objectives of the working group were to survey existing computer security course offerings, to determine intelligence community applicability, and to examine the utility of requesting modification to current course curricula in light of perceived subcommittee instructional requirements.

The previous review (See Attachment #1) by the State Department member, in response to Chairman Tasking, provided an excellent baseline for working group consideration. Our own examination of the updated course offerings revealed nothing that would require modifications to the commonality analysis performed in the Department of State-conducted review.

A survey, the results of which are detailed in Attachment #2, was conducted among community members and instructional agencies. It is apparent from the survey and subsequent discussions that the bulk of the community was not aware of the nature or availability of the NSA-sponsored training. This is perhaps due to the cryptologic name associated with the training activity. Whatever the reason, we feel the course is of considerable value and warrants increased community participation.

Due to the constraints on participation at the Ft. Lee facility and the classification limitations of the DODCI training, and the limited scope of other available training, it is recommended that the NSA course be utilized as the prime source of intelligence community computer security training.

If the target audience requests that the training be conducted other than on-site NSA, this subcommittee will negotiate with NSA in order to effect that alternate site training. It is further recommended that desired course additions, if any, be proposed and justified (and perhaps funded) by individual activities (i.e., Army, Navy, Air Force, etc.).

Limited topic, executive level training is currently available from DODCI. Curricula structure is tailored to the target audience and can be conducted within the trainees' own facility. Non-DOD activities must pay a nominal fee for such training.

Attachments 3, 4, 5 provide curricula detail.

**Attachments:**

1. Review of Lesson Plans for Comp. Security Courses
2. Computer Security Training
3. NSA Course
4. DODCI Special/On-site ADP Courses
5. Computer System Security Course